

Assignment 1: Programming with Web APIs

The project is a mashup-based web page concentrating on music. It is divided into 4 sections and each of the sections has different subjects such as music activities, musicians and tracks. The project is mainly a information collection and display web page like Douban.

I use *Java* as back-end language. The project is deployed in Tomcat. In the front end, I use several library such as [animate.css](#), [fullpage.css](#) and [kite.css](#). The photographs are come from [Usplash](#). The fonts are from [Google Fonts](#). The returned data from web APIs are in formats of both JSON and XML. I use three different way to parse the data, including [dom4j](#), [Gson](#) and *jQuery*.

Section 1

Show the most popular tracks from indie musicians in recent time, include the track cover, track name, musician name and publish time.

Web API: [Fanburst](#)

Data structure: JSON

The way to parse data: Use Gson to transform JSON data into JavaBean.

Section 2

Show the latest music activity like concert, live show, and outdoor music festival. The information of activity name, time, address and description are displayed here.

Web API: [Eventful](#)

Data structure: XML

The way to parse data: dom4j

Section 3

Show the most popular artists. The photo and name are displayed.

Web API: [Last.fm](#)

Data structure: XML

The way to parse data: dom4j

Section 4

Search the information of artist including photo, name, genres and popularity index.

Web API: [Spotify](#)

Data structure: JSON

The way to parse data: Use JQuery to transform the JSON data into javascript object. Then the result is dynamically displayed by *AJAX*.

Configuration and deployment

- JDK version 1.8.0
- Tomcat version 8.5.23
- Put the jar file of dom4j and Gson under the path **Tomcat / lib /**.
- There is time limit of using the token of Spotify web API. So the search function may be invalid because of the overtime token.

Demo video

[Click here to watch!](#)

Screenshot





